Minutes of the 71st Meeting of the Executive Committee of Gujarat Council of School Education (GCSE) - Samagra Shiksha

The 71st Meeting of the Executive Committee of Gujarat Council of School Education was held at 16:30 hrs on 8th July 2022 for review and sanction of the activities for Samagra Shiksha under the Chairmanship of Dr. Vinod Rao, IAS, Secretary (Primary & Secondary Education), Education Department. The list of all the members present in the meeting is attached at Annexure-A.

Dr. Ratankanvar H. Gadhavicharan, IAS, State Project Director extended a warm welcome to the Chairman and all the members of the Executive Committee and started the proceedings of the meeting as per the agenda. The minutes of the meeting are as under:

Agenda-1 & 2: To accord sanction to the Minutes of the 70th E.C. meeting held on 02.02.2022

The Minutes of the 70th Meeting of E.C. held on 2nd February 2022 along with the Action Taken Report were reviewed and unanimously approved, as none of the members have provided any suggestions or modifications.

Agenda-3: Physical & Financial Progress under the Project Samagra Shiksha

3.1 Gender Education / Model Schools Branch:

- 3.1.1 It was suggested to introduce merit-based admissions in GoG funded Girls' Hostels operational in Model Schools / Model Day Schools campuses from next academic year 2023-24.
- 3.1.2 It was suggested to implement School Management (ERP) System for KGBV schools' management. Once the system is in place, the same can be customized and implemented for Gyan Shakti Schools and similar residential schools / hostels under the State Government.

- 3.1.3 It was suggested to explore possibilities to start KGBVs on Social Partnership (Jan-Bhagidari) model.
- 3.1.4 It was suggested to upgrade all KGBVs upto Grade 12 by FY 2024-25 inline with guidelines of Ministry of Education, GoI.
- 3.1.5 For expansion and upgradation requirement KGBVs, gap assessment of Physical and Digital Infrastructure components like Classrooms, Smart Classrooms, Library, TV, Desktops etc be conducted. Accordingly, procurement of required components may be done utilizing funds available under GOAL/SoE project.
- 3.1.6 It was suggested to introduce appreciation and recognition program for Wardens, Teachers, Students, Staffs of KGBV schools with best performances in State Board Exam results.

MIS- Management Information System Branch:

- 3.1.7 It was suggested to expedite and complete implementation of Face Recognition-based Attendance System by August 2022.
- 3.1.8 It was suggested to explore and finalize Computer Labs based on School enrollment. For schools upto 300 students 10 PCs, schools from 301-500 students 15 PCs and schools with 500+ students 20 PCs etc.
- 3.1.9 It was suggested to publish tender for next round of Gyankunj (for ~24,000 classrooms). Also, to finalize PAL Classroom model with Laptops or Tablets for all SoE schools and accordingly plan its procurement.

3.2 Quality Enhancement & Monitoring Branch:

3.2.1 It was suggested to review the size and number of pages of the PAT Answer Booklets. The number of pages in each Answer booklet shall be based on the number of exams being conducted for respective Grades across the year.

3.3 Vocational Education Branch:

3.3.1 It was suggested to explore areas for integration of pre-vocational education in the Upper-Primary grades.

3.3.2 It was suggested to initiate procurement for Vocational Labs in remaining Secondary Schools as per PAB guidelines.

3.4 Inclusive Education Branch:

3.4.1 It was suggested to prioritize implementation of In-School Resource Rooms based on the number of CwSN students enrolled in the Cluster-level Schools. The schools with higher number of CwSN students enrolled shall be given Priority in implementation of In-RR.

3.5 Establishment Branch:

3.5.1 The recruitment process of BRCs and CRCs is recently completed. It was hence suggested to fill vacant positions through latest waiting list to ensure minimal vacancy.

3.6 Civil Branch:

- 3.6.1 It was suggested to expedite development and implementation of software-based Contract Management and Payment system for the Civil works.
- 3.6.2 While construction and development of new Government Secondary Schools, it was suggested to explore additional land availability in any nearby existing SoE Elementary school and consider building Secondary Schools in such premises. It will ensure continuity in learning from Elementary to Secondary.

Agenda-4: To accord sanction to the Audited Accounts & Audit Report of Samagra Shiksha F. Y. 2020-21

The matter was discussed in detail and after due deliberations, the Audited Accounts and Audit Report of Samagra Shiksha for FY 2020-21 was unanimously approved.

Agenda -5: To accord sanction Additional Manpower for Schools of Excellence and World Bank Project provided from Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu India LLP.

The matter was discussed in detail and considering the requirement of GOAL and SoE Project, sanction is hereby granted to Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu India LLP

for deployment of 1) Project Manager Civil Works, and 2) Project Manager – Academics effective June 2022 under the existing contract for GOAL PMU.

Agenda: 6 To accord sanction for Additional Manpower one (1) Assistant District Gender Coordinator one (1) Addl. Assistant District Gender Coordinator (KGBV) in Banaskantha.

The matter was discussed in detail, and it was suggested to assess qualification and skillset of existing resources under the Mahila Samakhya unit and subject to their fitment to the requirement under Gender Branch, the respective resources may be subsumed under Gender Branch.

Agenda: 7 To accord sanction to Expenditure of Hon'ble Prime Minister Visit at Vidya Samiksha Kendra during April 2022.

The matter was discussed, and sanction was accorded to the expenditure.

Agenda: 8 To accord sanction to Expenditure of National Conference of School Education Ministers during 1-2 June, 2022.

The matter was discussed, and sanction was accorded to the expenditure.

It was suggested to check with Ministry of Education, Government of India for any adjustment of expenditure under Central Head. Further book the remaining expenditure under relevant budget heads.

Agenda- 9 To accord sanction various Civil Works under Samagra Shiksha.

(a): To accord sanction for publishing of 917 packages for repairing, new construction and strengthening of school infrastructure work under (1) Mission School of Excellence (2) GOG (3) GOI (4) PPM (5) PMVY (6) CSR (7) NABARD.

The sanction was accorded for publishing of 917 packages as per standard procurement process. It was suggested to publish these tenders by end of July 2022. While retendering, ensure that the package size remains same and only in such cases Single Bids may be approved as per standard procurement policy.

(b): To accord sanction for issuance of work orders for 88 packages under Mission Schools of Excellence (GOAL project) funded by the World Bank

The sanction was accorded for issuance of Work Orders for the concluded 88 packages under the MSoE project.

(c): To accord sanction for issuance of work orders for 26 packages under various schemes like NABARD, GOI, GOG, PPM, CSR, PMVY etc.

The sanction was accorded for issuance of Work Orders for the concluded 26 packages under the other various schemes as mentioned above.

Agenda: 10 To accord sanction for the provision of Swachhata Kit from Gujarat Narmada Valley Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd. (GNFC) Neem Products in Government Elementary and Secondary Schools, KGBVs, ALS Hostels and Ashram Shala.

Approved.

Agenda-11 To accord sanction for the purchase of Computer Tables & Chairs in 1875 Schools under Mission Schools of Excellence in various districts through GeM portal.

Approved.

Agenda 12: From the Chair

12.1 To accord sanction to the one-year extension to statutory auditor M/s Talati & Talati

The contract with M/s. Talati & Talati is for 3 years and their services during first year are also found to be meeting the requirements. Considering it, the Statutory Audit services of M/s. Talati & Talati is approved to be extended for one year.

12.2 Resources from Mahila Samakhya and to accord sanction to subsume them for any suitable positions in GCSE-SS

It was suggested to assess the qualification, experience, and skillset of resources under the Mahila Samakhya unit. As found appropriate, such resources may be subsumed under GCSE-SS for any similar or relevant requirements.

12.3 To accord sanction for Repair & Renovation work of 5 Heritage school buildings in 4 districts

Approved. It was suggested to undertake the renovation work as per Heritage upgradation work done for RGT B.Ed. College, Porbandar.

The meeting then ended with vote of thanks to the Chair and the members.

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(Dr. Ratankanvar H. Gadhavicharan, IAS)

State Project Director Samagra Shiksha Gandhinagar sd/-

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Chairman EC and Secretary (Pri. & Sec. Edu.) Education Department Gandhinagar

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